Import and export of petroleum products

†*433. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that imports and exports of various petroleum products have been made during the last three years;

(b) if so, the names of these petroleum products togetherwith their quantities and prices at which they were imported and exported during 1999-2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the international prices during abovesaid years, especially of petrol and diesel were less than their consumer prices in India; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The retail consumer prices of petroleum products in a country depend *interalia* on the factors such as intensity of imports and prevalent duty and tax structure. No such general comparison can be made in this regard.

Statement

Import and Export of Petroleum Products

	1999-2000			2000-2001			2001-2002 (Latest Estimates)		
	QTY	VALUE		QTY	VALUE		QTY	VALUE	
	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million
Product Imports									
Public Sector									
LPG	1,390	1,577	363	674	1,053	230	555	733	153
Aviation Petrol	1	4	1	0.7	3	0.7	1	3	1
Kerosene	5,144	4,518	1,040	1,606	2,001	437	90	110	23

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

	1999-2000			2000-2001			2001-2002 (Latest Estimates)		
	QTY	VALUE		QTY	VALUE		QTY	VALUE	
	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million	'000' Tonnes	Rs. Crore	$ Million
Diesel	5,006	3,713	854						
Naphtha/NGL	230	236	54	340	430	94	366	420	89
Fuel Oil/LSHS	503	316	73	378	288	63	547	386	81
LOBS	38	39	9	8	18	4	76	157	33
Public Sector	12,313	10,402	2,394	3,007	3,793	829	1,635	1,809	380
Private Sector*									
LPG	197	224	51	179	279	61	284	372	78
Naphtha/NGL	1,687	1,729	398	2,825	3,676	803	1,623	1,842	388
Kerosene	1,168	1,026	236	312	385	84	182	193	40
Fuel Oil/LSHS	874	549	126	1,350	1,021	223	374	281	59
Lubes/Others	369	256	59	1,594	2,939	642	858	1,442	303
Private Sector	4,295	3,783	870	6,260	8,300	1,813	3,321	4,130	868
Total Product Imports	16,608	14,185	3,264	9,267	12,093	2,642	4,956	5,939	1,248
Exports									
MS	131	139	32	1,202	1,442	315	2,375	2,755	577
Naphtha/NGL	583	520	120	2,882	3,273	715	707	731	154
ATF				160	174	38	286	281	58
HSD				1,597	1,872	409	3,746	3,384	708
FO/LSHS				508	320	70	276	164	34
LDO				10	9	2	30	23	5
Coke				1,601	142	31	980	63	13
TAME				137	220	48	47	72	15
VGO				268	220	48	272	211	45
Others	32	39	9						
Total Exports	746	698	161	8,365	7,672	1,676	8,719	7,684	1,609
Net Imports/Exports of Products	15,862	13,487	3,103	902	4,421	966	(3,763)	(1,745)	(361)

*Estimated.

Withdrawal of subsidy to North-East passengers

*434. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that subsidy given to passengers of North-East in air travel has been withdrawn;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the fare hike to and fro North-East destinations are much higher than any other sector now; and

(c) if so, what has forced the Ministry of Civil Aviation to do so?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The Government set up a Civil Aviation Development Fund on 1.4.1964 to provide subsidy for